

PATENT Customer No. 58,982 Attorney Docket No. 08350.3304-01

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:) \
Thomas J. KELLY et al.) Group Art Unit: 2619
Application No.: 10/646,716) Examiner: Chuong T. HO
Filed: August 25, 2003))
For: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR PERFORMING PROTOCOL CONVERSIONS IN A MACHINE) Confirmation No.: 9855))

Mail Stop RCE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the listed documents on the attached PTO/SB/08 Form. Each of the cited documents is of record in one or more of related Application Nos. 10/646,684, 10/646,809, 10/646,685, and 10/646,714. Copies of the listed non-patent literature documents are attached. Copies of the U.S. patent publications are not enclosed.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action after the filing of a Request for Continued Examination in the above-referenced application. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If the Examiner applies any of the documents as prior art against any claim in the application and Applicant determines that the cited documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, Applicant reserves the right to present to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents.

Applicant further reserves the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should one or more of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Statement, please charge the fee to Deposit Account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW, GARRETT & DUNNER, L.L.P.

Dated: March 26, 2008

Phillip J. Hoffman Reg. No. 46,340